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To: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
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Subject: Special Education Public Reporting by District of 2006-2007 Data

The federal regulations implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) at §300.602(b)(1)(i)(A) require public reporting on the performance of each local education agency on the targets established in the State Performance Plan (SPP) for each of the priority areas. The IDEA requires two plans: Part B (3-21 year olds) and Part C (birth through age 2) called *Early On®* in Michigan.

The SPP for Part B is comprised of 20 results and compliance indicators. For the second year of public reporting, the United States Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs requires that each state report 2006-2007 data. For Part B of the IDEA 2004 (3-21 year olds), Indicators 1-5 and 8-13 are being publicly reported:

1. Graduation
2. Drop Out
3. Statewide Assessment
4. Suspension/Expulsion
5. Educational Environments (least restrictive environment)
8. Facilitated Parent Involvement
9. Disproportionate Representation (Child with a Disability)
10. Disproportionate Representation (Eligibility Categories)
11. Child Find
12. Early Childhood Transition
13. Secondary Transition

Further information about these Indicators is available at: www.cenmi.org in the Special Education Facts documents.

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For a two-week period beginning August 13, 2008, local education agencies, public school academies, and intermediate school districts were able to preview district-level data for students age 3 through 21.

Beginning September 19, 2008, the district-level data will be available to the public through several web addresses which will be sent to listservs.

For Part C, the data are reported on the performance of each Service Area. These data regarding infants and toddlers (birth through age 2), *Early On*® in Michigan, have been available for a two-week preview period which began September 5. Seven of the 14 Part C indicators will be publicly reported for *Early On*®:

1. Timely Service Delivery
2. Settings
4. Family Outcomes
5. Child Find, Ages Birth -1
6. Child Find, Ages Birth -3
7. Timeliness of Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)
8. Early Childhood Transition

Interested individuals without internet access will be directed to the Center for Educational Networking for paper copies of district data. They may also contact their local or intermediate district for this information.

Please address any questions or concerns regarding content of the Public Report as follows:

- for Part B (3 through 21 year olds) to Ms. Patti Oates-Ulrich at 517-241-4418;
- for Part C *Early On*® (birth through age 2) to Ms. Vanessa Winborne at 517-335-4865;
- or send an email to MDE-SPP-Public-Reporting@Michigan.gov.